SUBJECTS.

Kumaramperur North Extension Reserve might be given up, and if that was not possible, to put it back so as to throw out one block including all the patta lands and to take a similar action in respect of the other proposed reserves mentioned by him.

Dewan's reply.—The Conservator of Forests says that the registered lands in the proposed Kumaramperur Extension Reserves will be thrown out. I have already promised to inspect the blocks before the Notifications under Section 18 of the Forest Regulation finally reserving the tracts are issued, and that will be done.

22. The difficulty of grazing &c. if the waste lands above the Northern Outlet Road between the 21st and 34th miles be reserved.

Mr. T. R. Lekshmana Singh (Member, Devicolam taluk) stated that the waste lands above the Northern Outlet Road between the 21st and 34th miles had been proposed for reservation by the Forest Department and the boundaries were now being cut on the ground. If those lands were reserved, the poor cultivators of the locality would be put to very great difficulties in the matter of grazing their cattle, as they would then have no other lands available for the purpose. Agricultural implements, leaf manure, building materials and fire-wood, which were so essential for their existence, would not be procurable anywhere, and they would also not be permitted to shoot the crop-destructive animals within the area. Further, the Marayur village, which now required extending owing to the increase of population, would not have the possibility in case the tract within the above area be reserved. One side of that village was all patta lands and the other three sides were sandal reserves. There were within the area about 2,500 acres of *sholas* quite suited for cardamom cultivation, but the proposal to reserve the area would hamper that industry also. For the above reasons, the Member prayed that the reservation of the block might be abandoned.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

The Assembly adjourned at 5-25 P. M.

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